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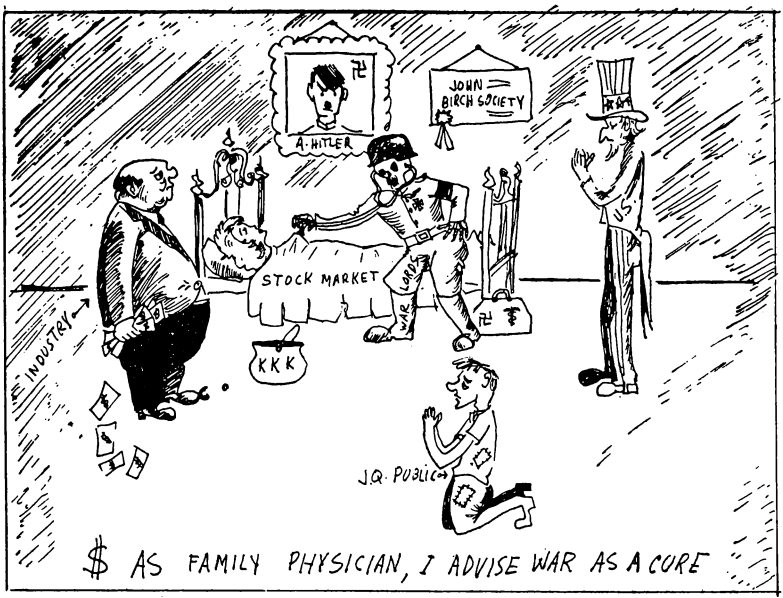
Stock Market: A Barometer for Violence

IN THE USA the Afro-American is always the last to be hired and the first to be fired. With the stock market acting up the way it is Afro-Americans are in for some hard days ahead. Also when great numbers of racists are unemployed a scapegoat is always needed. We don't have to stretch our imagination to imagine who scapegoat number one is. History also shows that more violence is visited upon Afro-Americans during times of economic hardship. When racists start to suffer they find the need for vent for their pent up frustrations. The cunning rablle rousers



direct this vicious frustration toward the poor miserable Afro-American.

The Afro-American would do well to remember this. He should also remember the fact that the rulers of the USA are inclined to use war as a means of propping up a sagging economy. Those "good nigras" who insist on clinging to their white masters despite his evil designs at home and abroad had better remember that the gates are broad and open wide that lead to Hell. Those who persist in dog loyalty to their white masters and insist on following him to war against just and democratic peoples most certainly shall have the honor of being atomized at his feet. Racism and imperialism's days are numbered, the best thing Afros can do is not to support such evil causes. The Afro-American's destiny is tied to that of his Latin American, African and Asian brothers who are going to help bring a new order of social justice to the world. If the Afro-American is to take up arms it had better be in defense of his women, children and human dignity.

26th of June: Our Birthday

On the 26th of June 4 years ago, THE CRUSADER was born. THE CRUSADER came into existence because we greatly felt a need for an organ free and daring enough to publicize the unabriged facts about the South's heathen racist conduct. We felt the pressing need for a publication dedicated to the cause of liberation for the most brutally oppressed and exploited faction of the black masses. In the course of our short life we have endeavored to expose U.S. hypocrisy, evil racism and imperialism to the whole world with the hope of making the U.S. Government more conscious of its obligations to humanity. We have endeavored to unite the Afro-American struggle with that of the peoples of Latin America, Asia and Africa — for long before the birth of THE CRUSADER we realized that our racist enemy is a common one.

In our pursuit of justice and human rights we have engendered the wrath of a multitude of enemies, chief among them is the racist U.S. Government that merely looked the other way while the KKK Chief of Police A. A. Mauney tried in vain to curtail our circulation. THE CRUSADER also had more than its share of trouble with the U.S. postal service. Even now the U.S. Government is fording hell and high water to prevent THE CRUSADER from reaching the U.S. The fact of the matter is that the U.S. Government is just as determined to silence Afro-American

voices that are not Uncle Toms as the white Citizens Council and the KKK are.

In this our 4th year, we rededicate ourselves to the task of struggling to bring civilization and human decency to the social jungle of the USA. We are proud of the friends of the many races and many countries who have joined us is this cause. Since our birth in the little town of Monroe, North Carolina we have gained a worldwide mailing list. We believe ourselves to be the first human rights U.S. publication to be forced to publish in exile in modern times.

We take this occasion to stress once again that we have no party or political affiliation and that it is our belief that Afro-Americans should be willing to align themselves or work with any individual or group willing to honestly embrace or support our cause. Contrary to what Uncle Toms are paid to preach, the black mans' first loyalty must not be to the race hating hypocritical U.S. Government, but to the cause of equality, brotherhood and justice.

In our short 4 years of existence we have seen our people swell the ranks of the unemployed. We have seen a mockery made of law and justice for the Afro-American. We have seen violence and brutality increase. We have seen starvation and economic reprisals stalk whole black communities that have merely sought to register to vote in "representative democracy." Now we are witnessing mass frustration and murder spread across the land. We are witnessing the prelude to a mass exodus initiated by the white Citizens Councils and KKK that is taking on the direction of Nazi death marches.

In these shadows of gloom we rededicate ourselves to the task at hand. We vow not to allow our racist, imperialist slave masters another moment of rest. Yes, at 4 we've had a hell o'va way to go but "we aint dead yet," we may not be in the best of health but we bet the racist USA will die before the spirit in wich we were born.

— Editor —

CUBA no Fallará

The propaganda mills of the USA have intensified their lies about Cuba. Many people in the USA are led to believe that the people of Cuba are starving. This is not true. It is merely wishful thinking on the part of the U.S. Government that is doing everything possible to destroy the poor people's gains under their great revolution. The only reason that there are some

shortages here is because the people control their own destiny and as a result they have more purchasing power.

When the Yankees controlled Cuba practically nothing was produced here for domestic consumpition. Now Cuba is beginning to produce for herself. The socialist countries are helping Cuba to reach a standard of living that was never dreamed of before. The revolution is on solid ground. It is not going to fall. The U. S. is hoping in vain.

The U.S. is angry because of the example that Cuba is setting for all Latin America. She is also angry at the example in race relations that Cuba is setting just 90 miles from the racist USA. There are no racial barriers in Cuba. The U.S. says that oppressed colored people must be patient and wait generations for the attitude of bigots to change. Cuba has proven this to be a lie. Cuba has changed the attitude of racist almost overnight. Those who can't take the change go to Miami to join the other racist scum of the USA.

Those who leave Cuba are primarily the rich who can't stand living on an equal level with the poor. The U.S. will soon discover that they are receiving all of the bad element of Cuban society. They are going to create many problems because they are not the type of people who contribute to constructive society. The mere fact that the Cuban Government freely allows them to leave means that they are considered no loss to a just society.

If the Cuban Government believed in the domination of the state over the individual they certainly would not be given the freedom to leave at will.

The police power is in the hands of the people. All of the wild tales about mass resistance to the government is a figment of U.S. imagination. Small incidents that wouldn't even attract attention on the streets of any other country are blown up and headlined in the U.S. press as mass action against the government. Most of the people here are armed and in the Militia as volunteers. How can an unpopular government oppress an armed citizenry? When will the U.S. dare arm its colored population and allow black men to join the National Guard units of the South?

This is the only time in my life that I have been able to feel as a member of the human race instead of feeling like a subhuman "Negro." Afro Cubans here constitute a large segment of the population and they share equally in the responsibility and benefits of the revolution. One need only to see Cuba to be convinced of this.

Illiteracy has been completely wiped out. In another year there will be no domestic workers. Domestic workers now are

being trained as typists, clerks, bank tellers, nurses, teachers and all types of skilled workers. Is it no wonder that those who strive on injustice will flee in the wake of such a righteous force?

The U.S. says there is no freedom of the press here. How can this be true and you're reading THE CRUSADER? No one here has told me to start or stop it. Only in the USA did the police and post office try to hamper its operation. THE CRUSADER is being published freely as an organ of our own struggle. The only difficulty it has had is that the U.S. Government is trying to prevent its reaching the Americans who have read and supported it for the past 4 years. Despite what the U.S. press says, Cuba is here to stay. Those who flee are no indictment of Cuban justice. It is written in the old testament that there was once a disagreement in Heaven and when the Devil was expelled many of his cohorts went with him to Hell, no doubt, in hell they screamed loudly about misrule of Heaven. Yes, they had a different concept of what justice ought to be. They wanted justice partial to their clique. Cuba is a land of justice for all and those who find this distasteful are attracted by the partial justice of favoritism in the racist USA.

Klan Lobbyist in the White House

Many people have been stunned by the Kennedy Government's dogmatic support of the Monroe Ku Klu Klan. Many people are puzzeld by the U.S. Justice Department and White House's contempt for the Afro-Americans in Monroe. The Kennedy brother's love for the KKK of Union County is not coincidental. There is really nothing strange about Washington's attitude toward Union County's Klan terror. The simple fact of the matter is that the Union County Klan group has a special representative in the White House. They have their own advisor advising the Kennedy brothers. When Union County colored people petition the white house for equal justice under law their Klan representative there assures the indifferent president that he is in touch with Union County and that his long time friend and Klansman Chief of Police, A.A. Mauney has reported that the community is quiet with the exception of a few "agitators stirring up racial strife."

Yes, this is how justice for the Afro-American is handled in a so-called representative democracy. When Kennedy gained admittance to the White House on a narrow margin of votes made possible by the colored vote, he brought his racist friend of Monroe to the White House as a special administrative assistant. Henry Hall Wilson, Jr., a Monroe lawyer who has often

served the cause of racists, is a well known participant in the Kangaroo Court system of Union County justice, is a special friend of Chief of Police, A.A. Mauney and who has always taken side with the racist, sees to it that the Kennedy brothers sustain their Klan affection. This Klan lobbyist in the White House nods and smiles at colored people locally while enticing Washington to help lynch them legally.

Any Afro-American who is not an idiot can plainly see that Wilson is no friend of justice. He is primarily responsible for the Kennedy brothers' contempt for local colored people who struggle against racism.

Another of Kennedy's Monroe contacts is Luther Hodges, secretary of Commerce and former Governor of the State of North Carolina. Hodges' son married a Monroe girl. The racist Duncans of Monroe thorugh their son-in-law, young Hodges, pass the word to Luther that Monroe will be O.K. when the agitators are gotten rid of. As a result of this racist tie up, the Kennedy brothers are led to believe that all that is needed is the freedom of action of local bigots to return Union County to normalcy. The racist are very much mistaken. It is not a few agitators who are causing trouble. It is the whole rotten system of injustice that is causing racial strife.

Only justice creates the condition for peaceful coexistance. The racists of Monroe are incapable of dispensing justice. They are brutes without a conscience. Those Afro-Americans who hope for a change of heart are chasing after the end of a rainbow. Members of the race who feel that their education and professions offer insulation against racist brutality are very much mistaken. It may be the uneducated and very poor who bare the brunt of racism today, but tomorrow or any day now racism may run wild again and turn its wrath on all of color without distinction. Certain classes of Jews in Nazi Germany thought they had insulation too, but the gas ovens soon exploded this myth. The greatest insulation for the race is unity. In the eyesight of the racists there are no "big Nigras," there are only "Nigras" and they are all subject to abuse.

On the Monroe Scene

+ Roscoe Funderburke is dead — He was murdered by one of Monroe's notorious racist. No doubt, Monroe bigots and their Uncle Tom parrots will reflect in unison that his death is an insignificant case of a noble white man defending his Christian gentlemanhood and his noble household against intruders. The whites will pat themselves on the back and boast of their stringent justice for "Nigras" who get out of

place, while their "black Samboes" echo their slanted stories of non-profesisonal colored people always being guilty of not 'staying in their places." These Sambo puppets sever with their consciences by siding with their white slavelords to justify the absence of action indicative of men of human dignity and manhood.

Funderburke was killed early in June by Charles S. Outlaw, a fitting name for a thug killer, who claims that the Afro was shot for being a "peeping Tom." Funderburke was shot in a location where the public street practically passes through the known racist's yard. This is also a section of many attacks on Afros in the past.

Outlaw, or Mr. Outlaw, if you please, in Monroe has left a woman a widow and 5 children fatherless. We don't have to wait until the day of the trial to know what the verdict will be. It has been proclaimed, since last August, that there is "open season" there on Afros. The Monroe crackers now has a license to kill helpless and unarmed Afro-Americans.

Earlier in the week in this same town, called the "Little Angola" of the Americas, another white Christian gentleman named Toby Price, shot and seriously wounded James Poston on the same pretext. Last August the U.S. Justice Department was more than happy to help frame freedom fighters, an Afro mother and the editor of THE CRUSADER on a phoney charge of kidnapping a lying, selfstyled saintly, white scum couple that really had been rescued from an angry group and given shelter. The racist In-Justice Department entered the mythological case with 500 FBI men, some armed even with machine guns, hoping to exterminate an entire Afro family. It goes without saying that justice is as hard for an Afro-American to come by in Terror Town, USA as it is for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle. No, doubt, Monroe's white savages feel quite secure in their lawless, private jungle but they would do well to remember that progress also casts its shadow of poetic justice over the beasts of the jungle. Justice shall eventually prevail and seemingly insignificant people like Roscoe Funderburke shall face the North American Batistas before a sterling bar of justice.

Charms and Arms

For the almost 6 years that I was president of the Union County Branch of the NAACP, I exerted great energy to focus widespread attention on the fact that Monroe, North Carolina is a hell hole presided over by white savages. I learned early that Monroe's racists were devoid of even the most elementary sense of justice and fair play. Many are the examples that bare

out the fact that so-called legal justice and court proceedings will not even measure up to the standard of first class kangaroo justice.

In light of the fact that Union County, N. C. justice is a slander and disgrace to the entire civilized legal code and human morality, I advocated that Afro-Americans defend themselves against racial violence from the local bigots who possess stone age mentalities. I stressed the fact that in civilized society law is a detterent against the strong taking advantage of the weak, and where no legal deterrent exists the individual must create his own deterrent by a policy of self defense. It goes without saying that a conscienceless brute, without restriction of law, respects only force. It is not even a moot question that a Martin Luther King is more likely to get his skull fractured by a violent racist thug than is a Joe Louis. The reason is simply that thugs prefer to enter into violent situations where there is less chance of their winding up on the receiving end of violence.

With a self defense policy, I was able to live in Monroe for 6 years. The racists didn't dare give total vent to their violent pent-up passions until the Monroe policy was weakened by a proclamation of "nonviolence." This announcement reversed the trend of years in a matter of hours.

I have been away from the Monroe scene since last August. More violence against Afro-Americans is taking place there now than at any time when I was there. Shootings, beatings, open Klan threats, police brutality, court frame ups, rape and murder is the order of the day now. Afro-Americans in Monroe cannot rely upon local bigots, klan policemen, racist state officials nor the slick Kennedy brothers for legal protection.

Afro-Americans had better start preparing to defend themselves now. Conditions in Union County and the South are not going to improve, they are going to get worse. The U.S. Government has given the nod to the Ku Klu Klan. The condition in Monroe is tantamount to open season on Afro-Americans and the court is rigged to perform a more efficient racist service of legal lynching.

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